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RESULTS OF OPERATIONS IN THE GENERAL FUND

The General Fund ended the year in a stable position. A final available ending fund balance of \$223.7 million was realized, as reflected in the following table:

GENERAL FUND BUDGET TO ACTUAL COMPARISON FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 (\$000s)

	Revised Budget	Budgetary Basis Actual	Variance
Sources			_
Beginning Fund Balance* Liquidation of	272,726	272,726	-
Carryover Encumbrances	-	3,582	3,582
Subtotal	272,726	276,308	3,582
Revenue	829,048	827,741	(1,307)
Total Sources	1,101,774	1,104,049	2,275
Uses			
Personal Services	620,829	608,490	12,339
Non-Personal/Equipment/Other	121,423	108,123	13,300
City-Wide Expenses	148,478	104,350	44,128
Capital Contributions	48,101	29,061	19,040
Transfers	30,374	30,374	-
Reserves	132,569		132,569
Total Uses	1,101,774	880,398	221,376
Available Ending Fund Balance		223,651	223,651

^{*} Includes an Encumbrance Balance of \$25.1 million

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RESULTS OF OPERATIONS IN THE GENERAL FUND (CONT'D.)

The actual ending fund balance of \$223.7 million exceeded the estimated ending fund balance level by approximately \$20.8 million. This positive variance represented only 1.9% of the General Fund modified budget. The elements of that variance are illustrated in the following comparison of estimate to actual chart. The estimated fund balance column represents the projections used to formulate the Beginning Fund Balance amount, included as a source of funding in the 2008-2009 Adopted Budget.

2007-2008 GENERAL FUND ENDING FUND BALANCE ANALYSIS (\$000s)

_	Estimate	Budgetary Basis Actual	Variance
Sources			
Beginning Fund Balance* Liquidation of	272,726	272,726	-
Carryover Encumbrances	1,065	3,582	2,517
Subtotal	273,791	276,308	2,517
Revenue**	829,048	827,741	(1,307)
Total Sources =	1,102,839	1,104,049	1,210
Uses			
Expenditures**	869,096	850,024	19,072
Transfers	30,374	30,374	-
Reserves	487		487
Total Uses	899,957	880,398	19,559
Available Ending Fund Balance	202,882	223,651	20,769

^{*} Includes an Encumbrance Balance of \$25.1 million

^{**} After adjusting for a net-zero \$4.2 million of grant and reimbursement related revenues and expenditures not received or expended in 2007-2008, but rebudgeted to 2008-2009, the revenue variance resulted in a surplus of \$2.9 million and the expenditures variance actually totaled \$14.9 million.

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RESULTS OF OPERATIONS IN THE GENERAL FUND (CONT'D.)

The actual 2007-2008 liquidation of carryover encumbrance amount was \$3.6 million and reflects encumbered appropriations liquidated by the Finance Department during the period between the release of audited 2006-2007 financial statements and the end of the 2007-2008 fiscal year. Liquidation of prior year encumbrances results in a reduction in the obligations against the fund balance. These funds then become available for reappropriation. The estimate to actual variance of \$2.5 million represents carryover encumbrance liquidations that occurred at a higher level than originally anticipated when formulating the fund balance estimate.

A detailed analysis of the significant variances between estimates and actuals for revenues, expenditures, transfers and reserves is provided in the following section.

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